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REPORT UPDATE

Report: Cultural Resource Inventory of The Central Utah Railroad Project in Sevier, Sanpete, and Juab Counties, Utah

Case No. 02-1734

A review of the report and site forms by Dr. Matthew Seddon, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, in consultation with the Surface Transportation Board requested that a number of sites required more information as to eligibility determinations. As stated by Dr. Seddon, the site forms would be improved by including additional information about geomophology. Also, information relating to why the site is eligible or not eligible in terms of general research themes would aid in the consultation process. Dr. Seddon states that MOAC would not need to update the report, unless something significant changed, such as a sites' eligibility.

In response to USHPO's comments, MOAC made the following additional changes to the site forms. The report remained unchanged.

- 1) The on-site depositional context was corrected on a number of site forms from "residual" to "alluvial plain" which added more explanation to why various sites were eligible to the NRHP under criterion D. A more detailed justification was included in the site form discussing the geomorphology and the general research themes.
- 2) A more detail explanation for evaluating depth potential (omitting "pinflag test") was provided for the documented sites. This included a discussion of the geomorphology and other evidence.
- 3) In regards to several of the historic sites, a more comprehensive discussion in terms of the NRHP criteria were addressed.